

**Submission to New Zealand Geographic Board by  
National Park Village residents, ratepayers and  
friends of the village.**

**January 2024**



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**Our community group of residents, ratepayers and friends of National Park Village oppose and utterly reject the proposal to change the existing recognised name of National Park to Waimarino. We also oppose changing the name of the National Park Railway Station to Waimarino Railway Station.**

The name changes, as proposed, are based on the proposers' information that there was a pa site where National Park Village is situated. From our investigations, this is now known not to be true.

Waimarino was never an official or unofficial recorded name for a township or place of occupation. It was just the Waimarino Station that had any status. Casual usage appears to be the reason people think that Waimarino was an official name.

The name National Park came about for a practical reason as people were travelling to the (Tongariro) National Park, which is still the case today, except on a much larger scale. And so the very existence of National Park Village is because of domestic and international visitors. Without these travellers and the concerted efforts by the people of NPV, the village would not have developed and there would be little other reason for the village to have remained in existence. We have a proud history of endeavour and achievement.

Our group of residents and ratepayers have worked and lived much of their lives in and around National Park Village. As well as their hard work they have contributed to the well-being of the community by supporting local organisations, the National Park School and the underlying economic base of the local businesses.

We specifically refer to:

## 1. Location - Waimarino Pa

The proposers indicated the pa was sited where National Park village is located. This is not true according to various sources.

- The proposers provided no evidence to support their claim of a pa site and kainga at National Park Village. Also, there are no known burial sites.
- Locals have no current or historical knowledge of a pa site in National Park Village
- Historical accounts of travels to the region place the pa site adjacent to the Waimarino Stream. [see Appendix 1]
- Public Works department line surveys for the NIMT in 1900 show signs of a pa and burial sites at 101 miles from Marton. [ see Appendix 2]
- Department of Lands. Their report records the site of the previous occupation of Waimarino Pa at 101 miles from Marton and the site of Waimarino Railway Station at 104 miles from Marton. [ see Appendix 3]
- Cussons Trig was the only place marked on the early maps where NPV is today before the completion of NIMT and the establishment of the Waimarino Station. [see Appendix 3]
- Archaeological surveys identify five burial sites in the vicinity of Waikune.

[ See Appendix 4]

- NZGB secretariat report notes the pa sometimes known as Waimarino Pa is correctly the Ngatokoerua Pa of Peehi Turoa at Waikune.

## 2. Identity of National Park Village

- **Geographical location.** National Park Village is at the highest point of SH4 at 825m and at the plateau between two watersheds. The Otemaewa Stream flows to the south joining the Makomiko Stream and then the Waimarino Stream at 720m at Erua. The Makaretu Stream flows to the north to join the Piopio Stream at Raurimu at 580m and later on joins the Whakapapa River. NPV has unique panoramic views of the four volcanoes in the Tongariro National Park. The village location is distinctly distanced from the Waimarino Stream.
- The loss of the **destination's identity** being National Park Village and the importance of its identity and strong branding position in the **international visitor Industry** would be detrimental to its sustainable future.
- The loss to locals is a loss of part of their **personal identity** and heritage. This affects the young through to the long-lived residents in the village.
- Our allegiances have naturally been to the north starting as part of the Auckland Province to today's arrangements with the Waikato Hospital Board area, telephone prefix of 07 (not 06) and in the northern electoral area of Ruapehu District Council.
- The area known as Waimarino is not a particular place of occupation.
- Waimarino has always been of a larger area based around the southern part of the Ruapehu District encompassing and based in and around Raetihi and Ohakune.
- Historically the Waimarino Block was created as a survey block which then became a parliamentary electorate, then to Waimarino County and now part of the Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board area.
- ***Identity encompasses the memories, experiences, relationships, and values that create one's sense of self. This construction creates a steady sense of who one is over time.***

The name National Park (Village) has been well-established and recognised for 97 years. National Park Village has built up its identity through its businesses and local organisations, National Park Village Business Association Inc. and National Park Village Progressive Association Inc. The Business Association promotes the village as a visitor destination through its marketing and marketing alliances. 95% of our businesses are dependent on the visitor industry. The Progressive Association has its aims to improve and enhance social capital such as the NPV Community Hall, developing the Tupapakura Falls Track, The National Park Village Plan, and advocacy to the Ruapehu District Council Annual and Long-Term Plans. Residents take pride in that identity, and many abhor the possibility of losing their lifelong identity by changing the village name.

### Other References

- **Ohakune – Opening to a New World – Merrilyn George. 1990**  
No mention of Waimarino as a village in its 384 pages
- **In the Hills of Waimarino. Elizabeth Allen. 229 pages.**

No mention of a Waimarino village

- **Te Korowai o Wainuiarua – Treaty Claim and historical account.**

No identification of a Waimarino village in the claim. No request to change the name of National Park Village although seven other locations were requested for a name change.

### 3. The Brand – National Park Village

The National Park Village brand was adopted by the Business Association in 1995 to do away with the confusion of the National Park name. This provides a clear and separate identity that has been strongly marketed around the world which says what it is and where it is better than any alternative. That, combined with our iconic attractions has been very successful in transforming the village from what was regarded as just a mill town to an international destination of choice.

- **Websites.** NPVBA-associated websites [www.nationalpark.co.nz](http://www.nationalpark.co.nz) and [www.tongarirocrossing.org.nz](http://www.tongarirocrossing.org.nz) received 543,623 visits last year.
- **Industry recognition.** NPVBA is regarded as an industry leader and a significant contributor to our RTO - Visit Ruapehu.
- **Village Entry signs.** Three substantial highway entry signs were financed (a \$50k project) and built by the NPVBA with the blessing of Ruapehu District Council, DOC and NZTA to provide a sense of identity and arrival. [See Appendix 8 for photos]

### 4. Confusion

- Changing the name may increase confusion amongst other Waimarino names and locations. [See Appendices 5, 6,7]
- We do not support any dual name which will create further confusion.
- Historical References. Many historical accounts by travellers in Papers Past refer to; as **going to or from the Waimarino**, or **being in the Waimarino** or **travelling through the Waimarino**. The only reference to a place that was sometimes known as the Waimarino Pa is at Waikune.
- **Waimarino Purchase Report WAI 903 is another example of Waimarino referred to as an area.**

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*Waikune Prison was also established nearby the Waimarino 4 reserve at a time the reserve was under considerable pressure for alienation, including a number of public works takings, highlighting issues over the pressures placed on remaining Maori land **in Waimarino**, including for public purposes.*

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*The first of the public works takings from Waimarino 4 appears to be the Main Trunk railway and road (later State Highway 4). These already ran **through Waimarino** by 1921 when the prison was proclaimed. As noted in earlier chapters, this area of the Waimarino plains between Ohakune and National Park, was part of an ancient travel route to the west of the volcanic peaks between the Manganui a te Ao area and Rotoaira and then Taupo*

- The name National Park Village has been a success in reducing confusion for travellers and couriers, as has the unique postcode by New Zealand Post of 3948 centred on the Postal Agency at the National Park Service Station.



## 5. Letters of Support for the name change to Waimarino

- The letters of support received by the NZGB appear to be reliant on the information presented by the proposers without wider consultation. At no time was any consideration given to the views or impact on the National Park Village community. We are duly upset that those most affected were ignored in this respect.
- The support by Ruapehu District Council and Owhango National Park Community Board was limited to supporting in principle the application for a name change being made to NZGB. It was made clear it was not for a name change.

## 6. NZ Geographic Board

### **New Zealand Geographic Board – Consultation document, secretariat research and supporting document.**

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*Early maps and survey plans name Waimarino for the plains, the stream, and the land block. Some plans name a Waimarino village and pā approximately 3.8km south of the current National Park at Waikune. The pā name is correctly Ngātokoerua and it's unclear if 'Waimarino' is colloquial, ie 'the village at Waimarino Plains'.*

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*When the NIMT railway line went through the original site c.1906 it's unclear if the village still existed. The Waitangi Tribunal Waimarino report does not note anything such as forced evictions among the many issues with the taking of the land. It's not clear what the timeline and events were between 'Waimarino Village' still being depicted on plans in 1897 to the south to when the new 'Township of Waimarino' was surveyed 4km north in 1910.*

## 7. Our Proposal

### **We propose that National Park be gazetted as National Park Village**

- NPV is widely known. Meaningful. Descriptive. Unique.
- Google search produces dozens of results for National Park Village due to years of promotion by the businesses of National Park Village.
- NPV website traffic confirms international recognition of the name.
- The National Park name has been used successfully for 97 years.
- The word village avoids previous confusion with other national parks.

### **Propose that National Park Village boundary be defined as the actual residential area.**

- The National Park Village boundary needs a clear definition.
- The LINZ map of NZ Suburbs and localities currently shows that National Park includes much rural land and extends as far as 4km to Waikune. This is inaccurate and unsatisfactory.

## Appendix 1

### Historical Accounts

#### JH Kerry Nicols

THE KING COUNTRY; OR, EXPLORATIONS IN NEW ZEALAND. A NARRATIVE OF 600 MILES OF TRAVEL THROUGH MAORILAND.

#### CHAPTER XXIV. — NGATOKORUA PA

*When we arrived at the pa, early in the day, we were received by Pehi and his people with a true Maori welcome.*

*One of the most remarkable features in connection with this place was that everything about it had a neat and tidy appearance, unlike all other settlements we had seen. It was situated at the foot of Mount Haurungatahi, whose steep sides, clothed with dense forests, towered up behind it. This mountain, we learned, was personified by the Maoris as the wife of Ruapehu. The view in every direction from the settlement was most enchanting, forest, plain, and mountain all combining to add variety to the surroundings.*

#### **The Waimarino Purchase Report The investigation, purchase and creation of reserves in the Waimarino block, and associated issues. Wai 903, A60**

**Cathy Marr. A report commissioned by the Waitangi Tribunal 2004**

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*A number of early European visitors travelled into the Waimarino district following this traditional travel route along the Manganui a te Ao to reach Taupo and sometimes beyond. For example, E J Wakefield travelled up the Whanganui River and then the Manganui a te Ao on his way to Taupo, in 1841. Wakefield made the trip with the assistance of a Ngati Patutokotoko chief and a guide from Taupo, taking eleven days to reach Taupo from the junction of the Manganui a te Ao and the Whanganui rivers. Having left this junction, his party followed the Manganui a te Ao valley, crossing that river several times before moving northeast towards the Waimarino plains. Leaving the forest at the head of the Manganui a te Ao valley, they came out to a level plain (Waimarino) and grassy tussock lands from where Wakefield could see the snow-capped volcanic peaks. They then travelled in a northerly direction (following a similar route to what would later become part of state highway 4) skirting to the west of Mount Hauhungatahi and the volcanic peaks. On the way, Wakefield's party followed advice on utilising the natural resources of the area, adding to their provisions by digging fern root and shooting birds. Continuing along the west of the volcanic peaks, the Wakefield party then turned northeast, crossing the Whakapapa River and heading towards Lake Rotoaira*

#### **Cathy Marr notes:**

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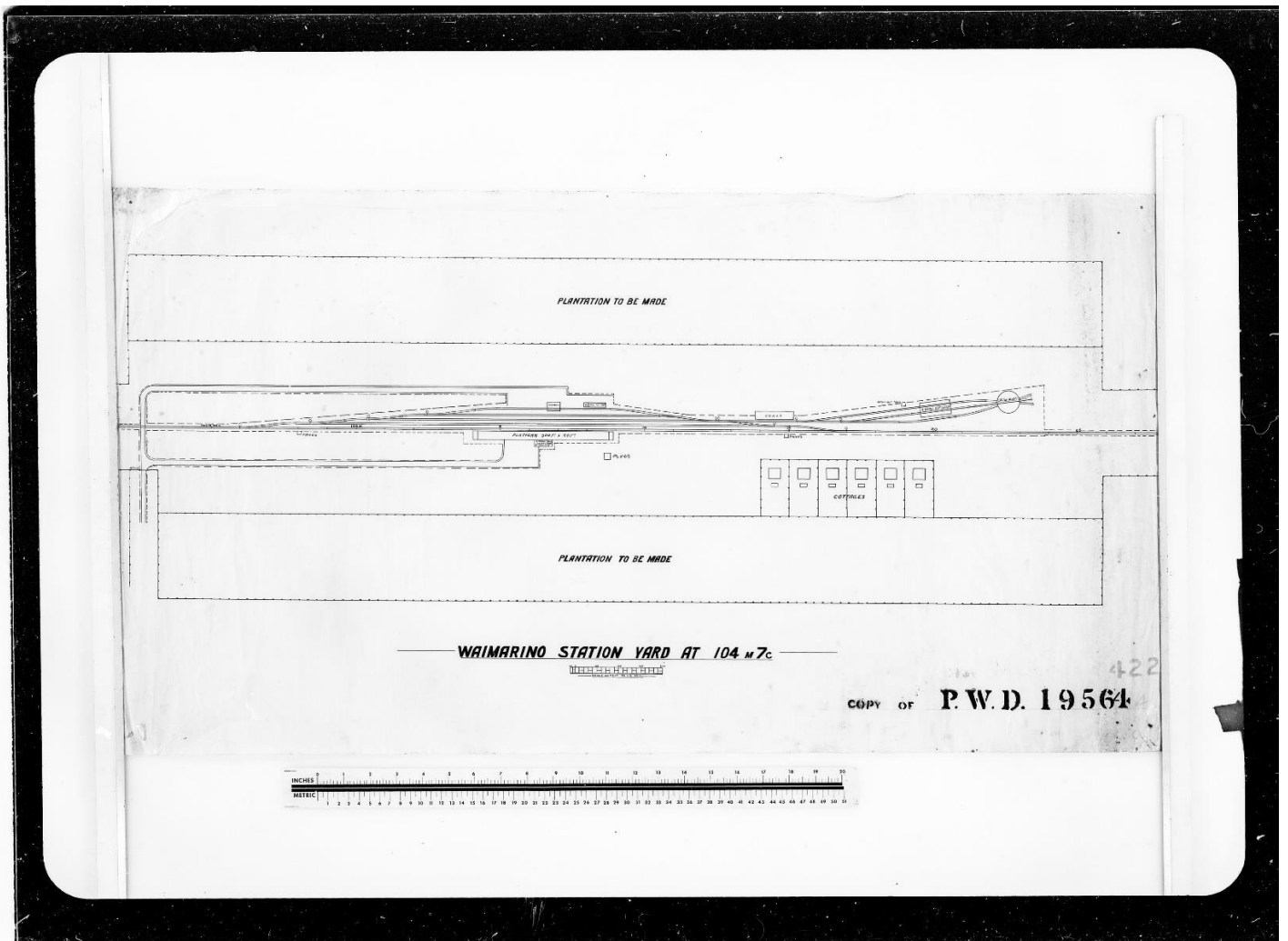
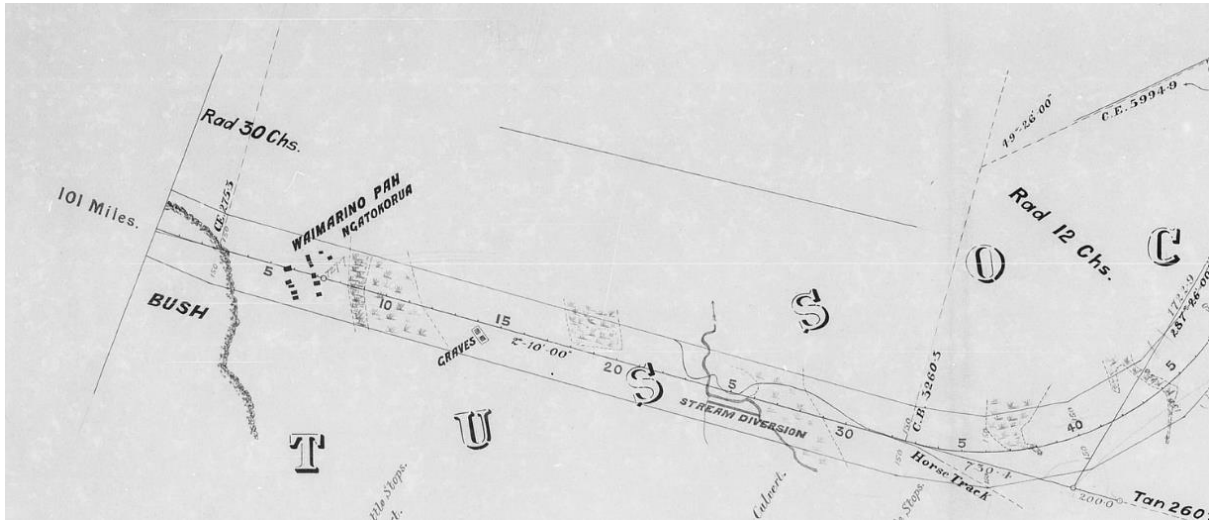
*It also seems likely that a number of settlements were located inland from the major rivers, in selected locations on the interior lands. These may have been located near prized resources such as hot pools, or at strategically important communications points linking more open areas with river-based settlements through dense forest. For example, Pakeha visitors, surveyors and land purchase officers, also noted the important village of Ngatokorua, near the foot of Mount Hauhungatahi and close to the Waimarino stream, which by the 1880s, was the village of the chief Peehi Turoa. In other cases, interior areas were visited and managed seasonally for the resources they provided.*

## Appendix 2

### Public Works Department

The PWD NIMT surveys were done in detail by sections.

These two sections below are Waikune 101 miles from Martin, and Waimarino Station 104 miles from Marton.



## Appendix 3

### Department of Lands

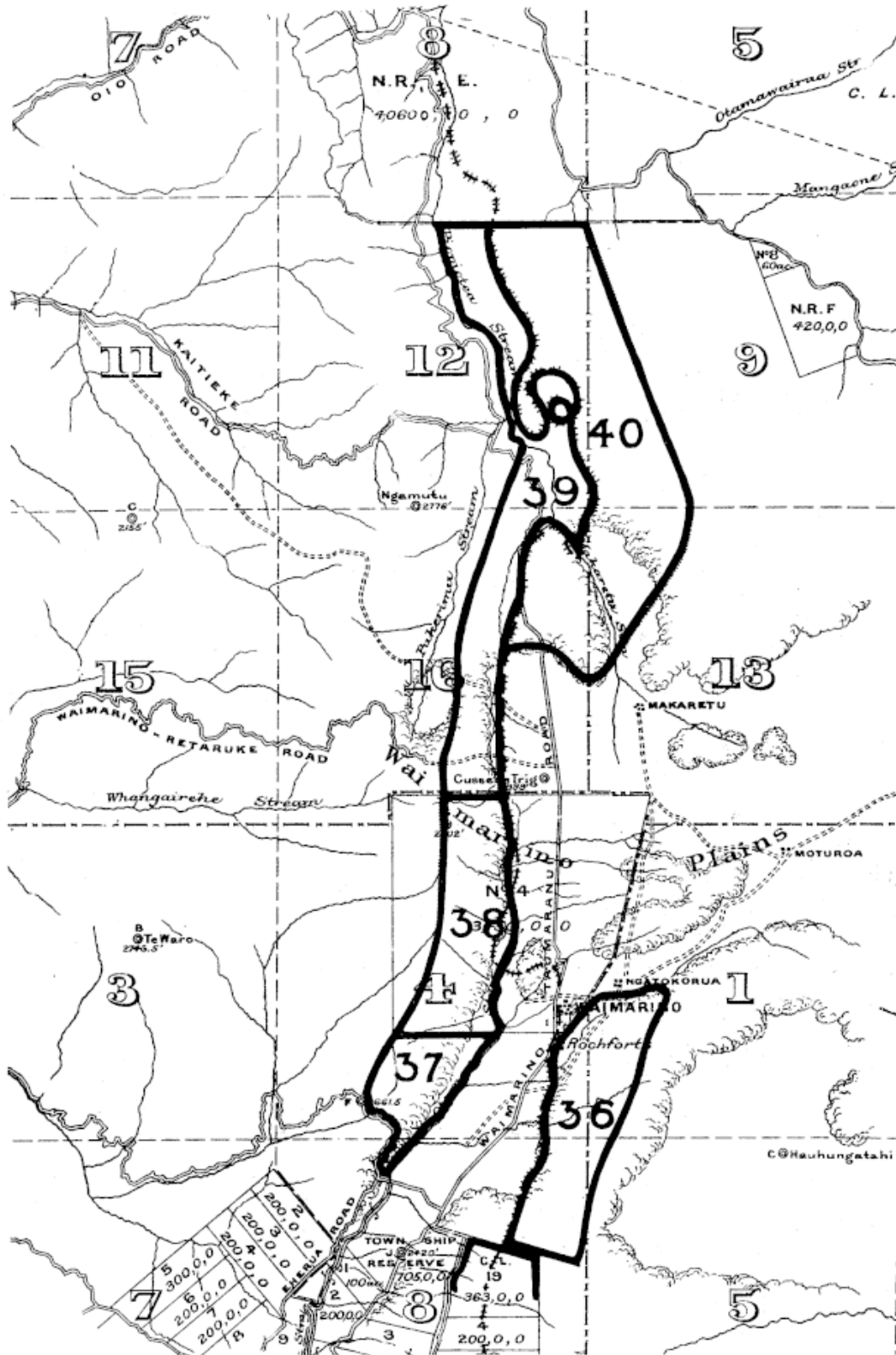
Extract from:

**DEPARTMENT OF LANDS: SCENERY PRESERVATION. REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31st MARCH, 1907; TOGETHER WITH STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTS AND SCHEDULES OF ALL LANDS ACQUIRED AND RESERVED UNDER "THE SCENERY PRESERVATION ACT, 1903," AND AMENDMENT ACT, 1906. APPENDIX TO THE JOURNALS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, 1907 SESSION I, C-06**

*About two miles from the viaduct the line emerges from the bush and enters the historic Waimarino Plains. These undulating, grassy slopes, covering an area of about eight miles in length and from one to four in width, form a remarkable feature in the midst of the vast forests surrounding them (see photo.). The line skirts the edge of the forest on the east side for some three or four miles, and then crossing the plains, runs close to and parallel with the western forest line until it once again enters it. This large expanse of open land, covered with native grass and tussock was the scene of many a raid in old times by the Waikato Māori's on their way to invade Taranaki, and the remains of the earthworks of the old Waimarino Pa, two miles beyond Erua Station (99 miles), on the edge of the bush, still remain to attest former occupation by the Natives While crossing the plains, above the bushy slopes surrounding them, the craters of Tongariro, the ever-active volcano of Ngauruhoe, and the colossal mountain of Ruapehu, distant some ten to twelve miles, are constantly in view (see photo.). In close proximity to the Waimarino Pa are some small but fine patches of native bush well worthy of preservation, and all the land between the line and the Ruapehu Mountains is very suitable for" an extension of the National Park, as a dense forest spreads over the slopes to near Hauhangatahi (4,983 ft. in height)—a volcanic cone now extinct. The Waimarino Railway station, 104 miles from Marton, is situated a mile south of the northern end of the plains, and here the last glimpses are seen of the mountains and the southern Waimarino Forest.*

- The Department of Lands report map below shows the Waimarino–Taumarunui Road traversing through the district.
- Waimarino is located by the Waimarino Stream
- Cusson's Trig is named where National Park Village is located. No mention of a village or pa.





REFERENCE.

Gazetted Reserves, \_\_\_\_\_  
 Recommendations by Scenery Preservation Board, 37



Scale.

## Appendix 4

### Archaeological Surveys

NZ Forest surveys recorded five burial sites in the Waikune area. They do not attribute these to any particular pa site or sites.



Supporting documentation held in ArchSite

NEW ZEALAND ARCHAEOLOGICAL ASSOCIATION		NZAA NZMS 1 SITE NUMBER N111/6	
<b>SITE RECORD FORM (NZMS1)</b>		DATE VISITED	26.6.79
NZMS 1 map number	N111	SITE TYPE	Burials
NZMS 1 map name	Weimarino	SITE NAME:	MAORI
NZMS 1 map edition	1st 1971		OTHER
Grid Reference		Eastings	290400
		Northing	373200
1. Aids to relocation of site (attach a sketch map)			
In Cpt. 13C, Erua S.P. Within large bend in Weimarino Stream just before rail and road bridge, S.H.4. (see map)			
2. State of site and possible future damage			
Planted in Contorts in 1938			
3. Description of site (Supply full details, history, local environment, references, sketches, etc. If extra sheets are attached, include a summary here)			
<p>Two burial mounds on a small 5m high knob. This is 20m from the stream and 100m from the railway line. The southern mound measures 2 x 1.5 x 1m high. It's surrounded by a ditch, that's 50cm wide x 1m deep, which drains off to the east. The other mound is 2 x 2m x 20cm high. Surrounded by a partly filled ditch, 70cm wide x 10-40cm deep. These two mounds are 23m apart.</p>		<p>SKETCH</p>	
4. Owner Address	N.Z. Forest Service ERUA S.P. 97 ERUA.	Tenant/Manager Address	
5. Nature of information (how say, brief or extended visit, etc.)			
Info. Ian Scott, visit			
Photographs (reference numbers, and where they are held)		YES	
Aerial photographs (reference numbers, and clarity of site)		NO	
6. Reported by Address	D.C. & G.E. NEVIN, 57 Scanlan Street, Auckland.	Filekeeper	D.W. CIMINO David G. Scott
		Date	22/5/79
7. Key words			
Two burial mounds			
B. New Zealand Register of Archaeological Sites (for office use)			
NZHPT Site Field Code			
E M	Type of site	B A	Present condition and future danger of destruction
A K	Local environment today	A A	Security code
A B	Land classification	G Y	Local body

## Appendix 5

### Waimarino – List of organisations

- The name change creates greater confusion with the traditional Waimarino area in the south of Ruapehu District.
- 39 organisations around Raetihi & Ohakune with Waimarino in the official titles may be affected if NZG changes the Waimarino area name to something else.

#### Waimarino Health Centre **Waimarino Health Centre**

22 Seddon Street, Raetihi

Phone(06) 385 5019

Open Monday to Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm

- Waimarino District Health mental Centre  
<https://www.raetihi.nz/shop/product/550596/waimarino-health-centre/?variantId=1534275>
- Waimarino Acclimatisation District  
<https://www.google.com/search?q=%E2%80%A2+Waimarino+Acclimatisation+District&oq>
- Waimarino DHB Centre
- Waimarino Garden Ramble [https://gardenartisan.co.nz/shows\\_and\\_events/waimarino-garden-ramble/](https://gardenartisan.co.nz/shows_and_events/waimarino-garden-ramble/)
- Waimarino Rural Fire Force <https://www.facebook.com/waimarinovrff/>
- Waimarino Art Awards
- Waimarino Golf Club <https://www.golfpass.com/travel-advisor/courses/17622-waimarino-golf-club>
- Waimarino Adult Riding Club  
<https://www.google.com/search?q=%E2%80%A2+Waimarino+Adult+Riding+Club&oq>
- Waimarino Baptist Church <https://www.waimarinobaptistchurch.org.nz/home>
- Waimarino Branch NZ Deerstalkers Association  
<https://www.waimarinobaptistchurch.org.nz/home>
- Waimarino Brass Band <https://www.facebook.com/p/Ruapehu-Waimarino-Band>
- Waimarino Clay Target Club
- Waimarino Horse People <https://www.facebook.com/groups/114856632253261>
- Waimarino Tree Resource <https://www.forestseedlings.co.nz/>
- Waimarino Youth Photovoice Project <https://communityresearch.org.nz/research/waimarino-youth-photovoice-project/>
- Waimarino Squash Racquets Club <https://www.facebook.com/waisquash/>
- Waimarino Cancer Society <https://www.facebook.com/CancerSocietyWhanganui/>
- Waimarino RSA <https://www.rsa.org.nz/find-an-rsa/find-a-local-rsa/ohakune-and-waimarino-rsa/>
- Waimarino Toy Library <https://waimarino.mibase.co.nz/home/index.phpWaimarino Wild Food Showcase>
- Waimarino Sheep Dog Trials
- Waimarino Pony Club <https://www.sporty.co.nz/waimarinopc>
- Waimarino Health Lead <https://www.wrhn.org.nz/waimarino-development-lead>
- Waimarino Budget Service
- Ngaporo-Waimarino Forest Trust <http://www.ngaporowaimarino.maori.nz>
- Waimarino A&P Show <https://www.waimarinoshow.com>
- Services at Waimarino
- District Mental Health Services
- Waimarino Shears <https://www.facebook.com/waimarinoshearsraetihi>  
Waimarino Mid-Wifery service  
Waimarino Rest Home Trust 112 Seddon Street Raetihi  
[https://www.eldernet.co.nz/Facilities/60s\\_Plus\\_Other\\_Suitable\\_Private\\_Housing/Waimarino\\_Rest\\_Home\\_Trust/Service/DisplayService/FaStID/14264](https://www.eldernet.co.nz/Facilities/60s_Plus_Other_Suitable_Private_Housing/Waimarino_Rest_Home_Trust/Service/DisplayService/FaStID/14264)
- **Waimarino** Bethlehem, 36 Taniwha Place, Tauranga  
Air BnB <https://www.airbnb.co.nz/waimarino-new-zealand/stays>



- Architectural Services for the Waimarino Wellness Centre ...  
<https://www.gets.govt.nz/HEALTHNZ/ExternalTenderDetails.htm?id=28643350>
- [Waimarino Luxury Lodge in Lake Wakatipu](https://www.google.com/search?q=waimarino&oq=Waimarin&gs)  
<https://www.google.com/search?q=waimarino&oq=Waimarin&gs>
- [Waimarino - Long term forecast](https://www.yr.no/en/forecast/daily-table/2-6249572/New%20Zealand/Hawke's%20Bay/Central%20Hawke's%20Bay%20District/Waimarino) <https://www.yr.no/en/forecast/daily-table/2-6249572/New%20Zealand/Hawke's%20Bay/Central%20Hawke's%20Bay%20District/Waimarino>
- [Waimarino 3M5](https://www.tetumupaeroa.co.nz/land/show/dde20e12-04ec-e111-8af5-00155d027505) <https://www.tetumupaeroa.co.nz/land/show/dde20e12-04ec-e111-8af5-00155d027505>
- [2020 COGS Whanganui Waimarino Rangitikei grants made](https://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/community-organisations-grants-scheme/2020-cogs-whanganui-waimarino-rangitikei-grants-made/)  
<https://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/community-organisations-grants-scheme/2020-cogs-whanganui-waimarino-rangitikei-grants-made/>
- [Waimarino holiday homes, NZL: holiday houses & more |...](https://www.bookabach.co.nz/d/1223324/waimarino?)  
<https://www.bookabach.co.nz/d/1223324/waimarino?>
- Heartland – Waimarino <https://www.nzonscreen.com/title/heartland-waimarino-1994>. In this full-length episode, *Heartland* visits the heart of the North Island: the Waimarino district at the foot of Mount Ruapehu.
- Accu Weather <https://www.accuweather.com/en/nz/waimarino/3590536/weather-forecast/3590536>
- Waimarino Volunteer Fire Brigade <https://fireandemergency.nz/stations/show/waimarino-volunteer-fire-brigade>
- Waimarino Red Cross
- Waimarino trophy – NZYS Slalom Race <https://www.snowsports.co.nz/news/waimarino-trophy-nzys-giant-slalom-race/>
- Waimarino COGS Committee <https://www.communitymatters.govt.nz/ask-us/view/433>
- Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board
- Waimarino Transfer Station

# Te Whatu Ora

## Health New Zealand

### Waitematā

33-37 Paramount Drive  
Henderson  
Waitakere

Services at Waimarino

- [District Mental Health Services](#)
- [Early Psychosis Intervention \(EPI\) Service](#)
- [Isa Lei - Pacific Island Community Mental Health Services](#)
- [Malaga a le Pasifika](#)
- [Marinoto West Youth Mental Health Team](#)
- [Pacific Mental Health & Addictions Service \(Takanga A Fohe\)](#)
- [Whitiki Maurea - Maori Mental Health and Addiction Services](#)

## Other Waimarino Organisations

- Waimarino Kayaks Tours
- Waimarino Group <https://www.waimarinogroup.com/>
- Waimarino Adventure Trust <https://www.waimarinotrust.co.nz/after-school-club/>
- Waimarino Adventure Park <https://www.waimarino.com/>
- Waimarino Lodge <https://waimarinolodge.co.nz/>
- Waimarino Holiday Homes <https://www.bookabach.co.nz/d/1223324/waimarino?>
- Hotels near Waimarino <https://www.booking.com/landmark/nz/waimarino.en.html?>
- Ngaporo Waimarino Forest Trust <http://ngaporowaimarino.maori.nz/>
- Wai Marino Lodge <https://lakesideaccommodation.co.nz/project/wai-marino/>
  
- Waimarino Furnished Monthly Rentals and Extended Stays  
<https://www.google.com/search?q=waimarino&oq=Waimarin&gs>
  
- NZ176 Waimarino <https://www.latitudehomes.co.nz/house-plans/nz176-waimarino>
  
- Waimarino, Manawatu-Wanganui, New Zealand Weather ...  
[https://www.accuweather.com/en/nz/waimarino/3590536/weather-forecast/3590536#google\\_vignette](https://www.accuweather.com/en/nz/waimarino/3590536/weather-forecast/3590536#google_vignette)
  
- Waimarino-Waiouru Community Board <https://www.ruapehudc.govt.nz/our-council/elected-representatives/waimarino-waiouru-community-board>
  
- Heartland - Waimarino | Television <https://www.nzonscreen.com/title/heartland-waimarino-1994>  
In this full-length episode, *Heartland* visits the heart of the North Island: the Waimarino district at the foot of Mount Ruapehu. Host Gary McCormick hits town in time for the yearly Waimarino Easter Hunt.
  
- NZ News Live: Two people dead following crash  
<https://www.stuff.co.nz/national/301036460/nz-news-live-two-people-dead-following-crash>  
One person has died after a single motorbike crash on State Highway 4, **Waimarino** earlier on Monday. The crash was reported to police

## Waimarino Localities

Waimarino Forest <https://natlib.govt.nz/records/22609975>

Waimarino River Turangi

Waimarino Stream 46 km SW of NPV

## Appendix 6

### Waimarino advertisements




Many Waimarino organisations regularly have advertisements and editorial items in the Ruapehu Bulletin

# Ruapehu

#### DECEMBER 2023

**Raetihi Christmas Carnival** 9 December  
Come along to the always popular Raetihi Christmas Carnival. Fun for all - stalls, raffles, food, live bands with lollies and games for the kids. Seddon Street, Raetihi from 9am. Contact Kay on 027 9257 252 for stalls.

**Mayor Weston Kirton in Waimarino-Waiouru**  
Mayor Weston Kirton is available to meet with residents and ratepayers of Waimarino-Waiouru at Council's office in Ohakune or Raetihi to discuss Council business or any other Ruapehu issues. To arrange a meeting call 06 385 8364 or email: [kay.kidd@ruapehudc.govt.nz](mailto:kay.kidd@ruapehudc.govt.nz)



#### MARCH 2024

**Blazing Hills Trail Run/Walk**  
This new event fro 2024 will encompass four hill country farms finish line along the Mangaeturoa South Road, Raetihi. It will groups with 3km, 6km, 9km and 20.5km events. As the name s will be a good degree of hill country in the courses, with the the 3km event which will be run along the valley floor.

**Waimarino 102nd Rodeo** 16 - Friday night 16 March - 6pm LOCAL EVENTS ONLY. Fc grounds. Gate Prices Adult \$15 Child \$5 (Under 5 FREE) Fa Pass. Rodeo Start time 8am. Secretary: Cathy MacLean 06 027 240 1090. Email: [c\\_d\\_maclean@xtra.co.nz](mailto:c_d_maclean@xtra.co.nz). Raetihi Ro Parapara Highway

**Ohakune Beer Festival**  
sport event sees competitors race down the mountainside by snow, foot and bike to the Powderkeg in Ohakune for the fourth and final stage of the event - sculling a beer (or soft drink if underage). [www.powderhorn.co.nz](http://www.powderhorn.co.nz)

#### 30 January

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#### OCTOBER 2024

**Waimarino Art Awards** 5 - 12 October  
Celebrating art and photography talent across the region. The Annual awards are a showcase and place to buy too. Contact John Chapman 021 137 5952 or [WAA@waimarinoartawards.nz](mailto:WAA@waimarinoartawards.nz)

**Ohakune Blues & Roots Festival** 5 October  
The Ohakune Blues & Roots Festival is a family friendly festival which will appeal to music lovers of all ages. See [www.oect.co.nz](http://www.oect.co.nz) for updates.

FOR MORE DETAILS, GO TO [OHAKUNE.INFO](http://OHAKUNE.INFO) OR [RUAPEHUNOW.CO.NZ](http://RUAPEHUNOW.CO.NZ)

#### FEBRUARY 2024

**Ruapehu Trail Festival**  
Victory Events brings two trusted events, the Ring of Fire Traverse to the Tongariro National Park on the same week running around the mountain in the Ring of Fire 73km solo or t or take on the 50km ultra event. The Tussock Traverse offer 21km, and 32km options. The location is awe-inspiring, the will be exhilarating and the Ruapehu region will be pumpin, the mountains meet the sky. [www.ruapehutrailfestival.co.nz](http://www.ruapehutrailfestival.co.nz)

**Waimarino Wild Food Showcase** 3 February  
The Local Wild Food Showcase builds on the culinary adventure founded by Kiwis Bill and Sarah Manson. To be held at the Raetihi Cosmopolitan Club. Designed to showcase the resourcefulness of people living in communities where wild food is available. Contact: [grayway423@gmail.com](mailto:grayway423@gmail.com)

**Waimarino A&P Show** 17 February  
Home to one of New Zealand's oldest grandstands and with Mt Ruapehu as a stunning backdrop, the historic town of Raetihi hosts the annual A&P show. Supported by the local community the annual event is over 100 years old and features equestrian, miniature horses, dairy, beef, highland cattle plus side-show entertainment for the whole family. Contact [info@waimarinoshow.com](mailto:info@waimarinoshow.com)

**Waimarino Sheepdog Trials** 23 - 24 February  
The Raetihi Collie Club held its first trial in 1918. The four courses; zigzag, straight hunt, long head and short head and yard courses are all held on adjoining properties along the Parapara Highway. We are very fortunate to have access to the Chan and Rowe properties for our event. These courses are of championship standard and a good test to all competitors. Over the years the club has been well represented in National and Island level championships. Contact Secretary - Roger Suckling 027 897 1610.

#### JUNE 2024

**Ohakune Carrot Carnival**  
Back again in 2024 in the Ohakune Junction - a fun family d entertainment and competitions. If you are keen to have a sponsorship or require more information visit our email us [rotcarnival@gmail.com](mailto:rotcarnival@gmail.com)

**Vintage Car Show**  
Back again in 2024 in National Park. Email: [info@howard](mailto:info@howard) for details

**Ohakune Mardi Gras**  
Back again for 2024 to the Ohakune Junction. See Audiolo the Ohakune Events Charitable Trust Facebook pages for d

**Puanga Wānanga (Matariki) Celebration**  
Join Ngāti Rangi at 1 Mt Road, Ohakune and be guided up Ruapehu to learn more about Puanga-Matariki, some of ou wāhi tapu and the relationships with ngā whetu. We will Mountain Road, Ohakune to share food and refreshments Korty Wilson 027 2557230



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**Waimarino**  
We are here to help

**Cancer Society**  
Kahui Matepukupuku  
te o Aotearoa

Please give us a call  
06 348 7402 or  
Kerri Dewson-Pratt 022 196 7355

Waimarino visits every third Wednesday.  
Home visits if needed.

**ALZHEIMERS** NEW ZEALAND

**Alzheimers Whanganui**  
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**Services in the Waimarino**

- Do you need to speak to someone about concerns with cognitive issues
- Do you need the support of someone who understands dementia
- Are you caring for someone with dementia
- Do you just require some information about dementia

Our Support Coordinator will be in Raetihi  
Monday 30th October 2023  
10.30am - 2.00pm

If you would like to make an appointment  
Please contact Lynn Shaw: Ph 022 694 4978  
Email: support@alzheimerswhanganui.org.nz

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**Waimarino Golf Club**  
**2023 AGM**

Sunday 15 October, 5.30pm  
at the Clubrooms

Nominations for committee positions are  
now open.  
Please contact the Club for nomination forms.

All welcome

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**ERNSLAW ONE LIMITED**

**Waimarino Forest**

Ernslaw One Ltd intends to Aerial Spray by helicopter, parts of Waimarino Forest for Weed Control.

Aerial spraying is expected to commence in October 2023, (Actual dates will be weather dependant)

All enquires contact Hayden Whitehead  
(Waimarino Forestry Manager) 027 808 7611

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# Waimarino squash for Jo

The 4th annual Jo Parkinson Memorial Doubles Tourney was hosted on the weekend at the Waimarino Squash Club.

"We are privileged to host this tourney on behalf of the Parkinson Family," says Club president Tony MacLean.

"We celebrate Jo who was a stalwart of Waimarino Squash with a doubles tournament. Jo loved the game and loved her home club, frequently travelling the countryside playing interclub during the week and tourneys on the weekend."

This year saw some exceptionally strong competition with 16 teams competing for the Jo Parkinson Memorial Trophy. The 2023 winners, and very fitting for this occasion, was eldest son of Jo and Bruce Parkinson, Hamish Parkinson, along with his doubles partner Rebecca Rouse who met Amy Osborne and Sam Anderson in the final.

Hamish admitting to a small amount of training leading up to this weekend, which served his team well. Hamish thanked the Club for hosting this tourney and continuing to make it an annual event.

Club president Tony MacLean thanked everyone for travelling and supporting this tourney.

He thanked the committee, all dressed in pink for the ladies and "we'll say 'salmon' for the boys" for their teamwork and putting together another fantastic event – baking, cleaning, salads, bar, draws, decoration.

"Nothing is ever too hard for this team."

He also thanked Peter Wikohika and Jude Sinai for their cooking and all the sponsors for their continued support.

"Lastly, thank you to the Parkinson Family for allowing us to host this tourney on behalf of their Mum and being a part of our day."

Sponsors: Ruapehu Vets, Raetihi Farm Supplies, Motts Premium Produce, Foursquare Raetihi, PGG Wrightson Ohakune, Dekker Machinery Raetihi, On Track Earthmoving Ltd, Ron Frew Family Partnership, Dan Leary, Murray Hutchings, Rowe whanau, MacLean whanau, Road2Cows Ltd, Wikohika whanau, Brown whanau, Caltex Raetihi, Ruapehu Farm Supplies Taihape, Ken Summerhays.

Winners: Hamish and Rebecca; runners up Sam and Amy; 3rd Tony and Lauren. Special Plate Robbie and Courtney; Plate Ray and Diana; Consolation Plate Nicky and Bruce.



# Waking up a wellness dream

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**The Waimarino Wellness committee, from left (back): George Potaka, Pet McDonnell, Tina Wallace, and Vivienne Hoeta. Front row, from left Tracy Mitchell, Honey Winter, Gaye Entwisle and Kay Henare.**

The Waimarino community are connecting with key partners to bring to life the shared vision of designing an approach to develop a Waimarino Wellness Centre that focuses on health and wellbeing.

Whānau voice will play an enormous part in the development project bringing to life the aspirations from whānau that were gathered by Healthy Families contract leads some years ago, says Honey Winter, co-chair of the development committee.

"The community and whānau were clear about what their needs were back then and they have not changed. We must now pull together and deliver the outcomes we said we would do all those years ago."

Winter is well-known in the Waimarino community and is the chair of the Ruapehu Health Limited Board. She has well-established links with the Waimarino community, affiliates to both Ngāti Rangī and Uenuku and is well aware of the positive outcomes having all the clinical services integrated alongside non-clinical services

within the Waimarino Wellness centre will achieve for the community.

"We already know that the facility needs to reflect how we are going to work in the Waimarino in terms of providing care across the team of providers," she says.

"Whilst we don't know what the design will look like yet, we do know that we want to move from a traditional way of working to transformational that has whānau at the centre of the model of care".

It is the committee's intent that whānau will continue to have a voice and will be engaged to discuss the facility design and functionality. A project leader role will also be established to lead the conversations with providers, community and whānau so "together we will land in the right place".

"We expect this role will be advertised in early November."

A co-design approach will also be undertaken with an

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# Waimarino kids take on the Orautoha hills

Ohakune Primary School scooped the top places in the Year Eight races at the Waimarino Primary Schools Cross Country on Friday 20 October.

In the Year Eight Girls race, the Ohakune girls took first, second, third, fourth, fifth and sixth place. In the Boys Year Eight, the Ohakune runners took first, second and third.

The school also took first in the Year 2-3 girls race; and the Year 6-7 girls race.

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### Tri-AGM / SGM

16 September 2023  
Raetihi Marae

1.	Marae Pōhiri	9:30
2.	Kai Tī / Morning Tea	10:00
3.	Opening of Tri-Annual General Meeting /	



## Appendix 7

### Te Hangaruru Cycle and Walking Trail



Coming soon... a brand new connected pathway across the Waimarino that will connect National Park Village via Marton Sash and Door to Last Spike and back to here at Horopito!

Even today references are to Waimarino being a larger area. In this case, the information board was erected for the 3 October 2023 official start of work on this part of the cycle trail.

The seven stakeholders' logos are prominent on the information board.

